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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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January 15, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below: